



CHARGED DIRECTLY WITH STEUNENBERG'S MURDER

FEDERATION OFFICIALS ACCUSED OF THE DASTARDLY CRIME

Charges Against Moyer, Heyward and Pettibone are Identical--Orchard Alleged to Have Confessed to Many Other Crimes.

DOZEN ATTEMPTS ARE MADE TO KILL PEABODY

ACCORDING TO ORCHARD'S CONFESSION THE MINERS' UNION IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CRIPPLE CREEK AND INDEPENDENCE MINE OUTRAGES--DETECTIVES ARE SEARCHING FOR OTHERS IMPLICATED IN THE MURDERS.

BOISE, Feb. 19.—Charles E. Moyer, president of the Western Federation of Miners; William D. Heywood, secretary of the same organization, and G. A. Pettibone, a former member of the executive board of the Federation, who were arrested in Denver Saturday night charged with complicity in the assassination of Frank Steunenberg, former Governor of Idaho, arrived at Boise this morning in custody of a strong guard of Idaho and Colorado officers. The special train of engine, combination car and Pullman coach, which left Denver at 6 o'clock Sunday morning, arrived here at 9:15. The necessary changes of locomotives en route were made at suburban sidings and the train took water at obscure tanks, so that no stops were made in cities or large towns.

BOISE, Feb. 19.—No one was permitted to talk to Moyer, Heywood and Pettibone when they arrived here. They were assigned to separate cells in the penitentiary. The trip from Denver was entirely without incident, the prisoners refraining from a discussion of their troubles. They amused themselves by playing cards. Adjutant-General Wells of Colorado was in charge of the train and assisted by Captain Strickland.

Complaints Published.

DENVER, Feb. 19.—The publication was made today of the complaints on which Governor Gooding based the requisitions for Charles H. Moyer, William D. Heywood and G. A. Pettibone, of the Western Federation of Miners. It appears these men are charged directly with the murder of former Governor Steunenberg and not merely with being accessories. The charges against all three men are identical and each is accused of having discharged the bomb by means of which Steunenberg was killed. The specific charge of murder was made, it was explained, in order to forestall habeas corpus proceedings in behalf of the accused men, no attempt

will be made to prove they were in Idaho at the time of the commission of the crime.

Furnished Funds.

It is alleged, however, they conspired with others to murder Steunenberg and furnished the funds to carry out the plot. The atrocious murders committed during the labor troubles in the Cripple Creek and Telluride districts of this State, which have been shrouded in mystery, the earlier Coeur d'Alene murders and the more recent Steunenberg assassination, form the chain of crimes, with which efforts are being made to connect the officers of the Western Federation of Miners on a confession said to have been made by Harry Orchard, charged with the Steunenberg murder. This confession, it is asserted, has disclosed a plot to kill former Governor Peabody, Chief Justice Gahbert and former Chief Justice Campbell. Orchard is said to have confessed to wholesale assassinations, planned at the headquarters of the Miners' Federation in Denver, chiefly by refugees from Cripple Creek and Telluride. Also, it is said Orchard's confession gives the history of the explosion at the Independence Mine when fourteen men were killed.

It develops that Orchard's confession according to the best authorities, states that more than a dozen attempts were made to assassinate Peabody. Investigation since the alleged confession, has disclosed the presence of bombs in exactly the spots indicated. Information reached here tonight from Cripple Creek, that Edward Green, a Federation member, has been arrested on a warrant, forwarding by the Idaho authorities, charging connection with the Steunenberg assassination. Two other warrants are in the hands of Cripple Creek officials.

Makes Full Confession.

BOISE, Feb. 19.—Orchard's confession purports to give the details of the alleged plot to assassinate Steunenberg

from its inception. It gives the names of the men alleged to be implicated, and tells where Orchard met them and the circumstances of the meetings. Since the confession, secured more than two weeks ago, detectives have verified many details. One of the statements in the confession is that Orchard was selected to assassinate one of the justices of the Colorado supreme court a year ago. He says he buried a bomb at the judge's gate, but when he pulled the trigger the contrivance failed to explode. He took the string away and gave up the attempt. Detective James McPartland, it is claimed, has since dug up this bomb. According to the confession this justice was Judge Goddard. The confession states, it is alleged, an attempt was made to kill another justice, but the bomb placed for him killed another man. Governor Gooding states he thinks the entire confession can be made public.

In the confession Orchard is alleged to have said he was alone in the actual execution of the Steunenberg plot, that he first planned to shoot Steunenberg with buckshot and went to

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MINE EXPLOSION PREPARED FOR WAR

Thirteen Miners Lose Their Lives in Accident.

WAS CAUSED BY OPEN LAMPS

Maitland Mine in Colorado Has Terrible Catastrophe—Miners Open Lamps, Ignite Gas, and Cause the Explosion.

PUEBLO, Feb. 19.—A special to the Chieftain from Walsenburg, says by far the worst accident in the history of coal mining in this part of the country occurred at the Maitland Mine this morning and as a result thirteen miners lost their lives.

It is possible the list will reach sixteen when all the bodies are recovered. Shortly after 8 o'clock there was an explosion in that part of the mine known as the "Sunshine," which caused the earth to tremble for miles around. Soon afterward a man ran out and reported the mine on fire. The explosion caused a fall of rocks from the roof and until this is cleared away, it will not be known positively just how many men are in the mine. It is certain, however, that all are beyond hope. The deaths were caused by gas and by after-damp. It is believed the explosion was caused by open lamps as most of the men in that part of the mine use open lamps.

SECURE CONTRIBUTIONS.

Medico-Legal Society Want Articles Written by Doctors on Surgery.

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—Clark Bell, president of the Medico-Legal Society announces the formation of an auxiliary committee to secure contributions and papers in this country to be read at the International Medical Congress to

be held at Lisbon, Portugal, April 19. The contributions are intended for the Medico-Legal sections of that Congress. The subjects will embrace medico-legal, military, naval and railroad surgery, and hygiene. The committee consists of about twenty medico-legal experts in this country. It includes Justice L. A. Emery, of the Supreme Court of Maine, professor of medical jurisprudence of Beudon College; ex-Supreme Judge W. H. Francis, of Montana; W. S. Outten, chief surgeon of the Missouri Pacific System; Surgeon-General Nicholasen, of Illinois; Dr. H. Edwin Lewis, editor of the International Journal of Surgery of New York, and Romana Guiteras, secretary of the American medical committee of the Lisbon Congress.

EXCITING CHASE.

Customs Police Capture Smugglers in New York Harbor.

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—Held up on the river as smugglers and with shots from the revolvers from the harbor police whistling about their heads, two men made desperate efforts to escape from the revolvers of the harbor police. Convinced quickly that this was impossible, they tried to sink their craft and send to the bottom its cargo of spirits and tobacco. They were only partially successful and were captured.

It is believed the alleged smuggled goods were taken off a Trans-Atlantic steamer through connivance with a member of a crew who had brought the goods to the port.

Government Asks For Information on Oregon Troops.

ORIENTAL WAR IS EXPECTED

It Is Believed War Department Fears Hostilities Will Commence Shortly in China—Adjutant-General Finzer Says Guard Ready.

SALEM, Feb. 19.—Governor Chamberlain has received the following query from the War Department in relation to the equipment of the Oregon National Guard and its ability to respond to a sudden call to arms:

"Governor of Oregon, Commander-in-Chief of the Oregon National Guard:

"I have the honor to request that you kindly furnish this office upon the accompanying blank the number of each of the specified articles of clothing and equipment, the property of the United States, now in possession of the State of Oregon, that might be used in case of sudden hostilities.

"As this information is desired for statistical data by the Army War College, may I ask that you furnish the same as soon as practicable.

"(Signed), C. F. HUMPHREY,

"Quartermaster-General, U. S. A."

It is rather significant, in view of the threatening war-like situation in the Orient, that the War Department should at this time, make special request for information regarding condition of the several state military organizations, especially concerning clothing and equipment and their suitability for service in case of "sudden hostilities."

Adjutant-General Finzer, in discussing the situation and referring to the condition of the Oregon National Guard if called out "in case of sudden hostilities," said the militia was never in better condition physically, as to training and in the matter of clothing and equipment than at present.

DISRUPTION OF RUSSIAN CABINET TAKING PLACE

Premier Witte and Minister of Interior Durnovo Remain But Other Members Have Returned or Are Slated for that Place.

TROUBLE IS BREWING IN St. PETERSBURG

WHILE NO DISORDER PREVAILS IN CAPITOL AS YET, A NOTE OF ALARM IS SOUNDED AT MOSCOW—DOUBTFUL IF REVOLUTIONISTS CAN PRECIPITATE ANOTHER OUTBREAK AT MOSCOW—TROUBLE AT CAPITOL IS FEARED.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 19.—The disruption of the Russian cabinet predicted Friday by the Associated Press is coming to pass more quickly than expected. Although Premier Witte and Minister of the Interior Durnovo remain, the minister of collection, Nenechayev, and the comptroller of the empire, Filosofoff, it is stated, will follow Kutler and Timiriazeff into retirement in a few days. The finance minister, Shipoff, is said also to be slated for retirement, though this is not certain. The vacancies will probably be

filled temporarily until a meeting of the national assembly. Freed from the bonds of cabinet secrecy, the retiring ministers purpose to train their artillery on Durnovo, whose public career is sure to offer many salient points of attack. Interesting revelations are promised this week. While no disorder prevails here, a note of alarm is sounded at Moscow. It is doubtful if the revolutionists can precipitate another outbreak, but their brethren in St. Petersburg are plainly expectant of big developments.

PREPARING BILL.

President, Attorney-General, and Senators Discuss Rate Measure.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—Following a conference between Attorney-General Moody, Speaker Cannon, and Senators Clapp and Dooliver, the attorney-general, and Chairman Knapp and Commissioner Prouty of the Inter-State Commerce Commission held a conference with the President today at which railroad rate legislation was discussed. An effort was made to shape the provisions of the Hepburn bill regarding the appeal to the courts, so as to make certain the bill would be constitutional and yet limit the appeal only to what is constitutionally necessary. The President it is understood believes Messrs. Moody, Knapp, and Prouty have worked out the provision better than that in the Hepburn bill or the original inter-commerce Commissions Bill.

RENDERS DECISION.

Supreme Court Renders Decision Regarding Rate Discrimination.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—Justice White today delivered an opinion of the supreme court of the United States in the case of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad against the Inter-State Commerce Commission and the Inter-State Commerce Commission against the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad company, affirming the decision of the United States circuit court for

the Western district of Virginia. The case involves the question of discriminatory freight rates.

The New Haven road bought two million tons of coal from the Chesapeake road in 1896 to be delivered between 1900 and 1902. During the last year, the contract fell short 60,000 tons owing to the miners' strike. The New Haven bought coal elsewhere and presented the bill to the Chesapeake. Notwithstanding this and also that the price of coal had gone up, the Chesapeake later delivered the coal. The case was brought to the attention of the Inter-State Commerce Commission, and complaint was made that the Chesapeake had discriminated in favor of the New Haven road by not exacting the charges of the published schedule.

RECEIVE GERMANY'S REPLY.

ALGERAS, Feb. 19.—The German delegates tonight received from Berlin, Germany's reply to the French note, regarding the policing of Morocco. The reply rejects the French proposition. Germany declares the French proposition is contrary to the principle of internationalization and equality of all the powers in Morocco.

NARROW ESCAPE.

PANAMA, Feb. 19.—Columbian newspapers received here today contain advice from President Reyes stating that on February 10th he was shot at eight times by paid assassins while passing Arjebispo bridge in Bogota, with his daughter.

WOMAN COMMITS SUICIDE ON STAGE OF THEATRE

DENVER, Feb. 19.—Leaving her seat in one of the boxes at the Crystal theater this afternoon Mrs. C. A. Weilder, said to live here, made her way to the stage and after flourishing a revolver in full view of the audience, discharged the weapon at her own person, inflicting probably a fatal wound. The woman fell gasping to the floor,

but the audience thought the shooting part a burlesque act and made no outcry. A moment later the screams of the performers in the wings brought a realization upon the audience that a real tragedy had been enacted. The woman was quickly removed to a hospital and in a short while the performance was resumed.

PACKERS SPRING ANOTHER SURPRISE ON GOVERNMENT

CHICAGO, Feb. 19.—The attorneys for the packers sprung another surprise today when they summoned to the witness stand special Agent Durand, who conducted the government investigation of the packing industry. An attempt was made to show that information other than that published in

the report of Commissioner Garfield had been given by the commissioner or his subordinates to the department of justice. Durand admitted some papers and tables not comprehended in the report of the commissioner had been inspected by Assistant Attorney-General Pagin. He was not able to tell whether this information was from the packers.

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